

City Manager's

NEWSLETTER

January 25, 2019

Snow update from Concord General Services



Although Concord didn't receive the predicted 12-20" inches of snow last weekend, Concord General Services crews did perform continuous plowing and road treatment during the storm. Watch Concord General Services' new Winter Operations Video to learn more about the City's snow removal. Thank you to all residents that parked their car off-street to help plows more efficiently remove snow and clear the roads. As a reminder, residents should keep hydrants, sidewalks, and streets clear of snow and ice. Section 5-1-15 of the City's Code of Ordinances entitled Snow Obstruction on Streets states, "No person shall put or place or cause to be put or placed any snow or ice upon the surface of the traveled portion of any street, nor shall such snow or ice be put or placed on a street so as to block sidewalks and hydrants. Where snow or ice is pushed across the traveled surface of a street for the purpose of snow removal from land adjoining said street it must be pushed from the traveled way so as not to block the street, and any remaining on the surface of the traveled portion of the street shall be cleaned up." Residents are prohibited from obstructing City streets, sidewalks, or hydrants with snow and should not place snow into the public right-of-way. It's important to keep streets and sidewalks clear for the safety of pedestrians and drivers. Hydrants must be kept clear for easy access in case of an emergency. We thank you for your cooperation in consideration of public safety. Learn more about the City's winter operation policies and sign up for parking ban alerts at www.concordnh.gov/winteroperations.



BEST WISHES CAPTAIN PETRIN!

Concord Fire Captain Ernie Petrin retires next week after 29 years of service to the City. He has served in the communications center since 1989 and has been the director of the center since 1999. The center serves 21 towns, two ambulance services, the Central New Hampshire Hazardous Materials Team, and the Concord Fire Department. Capt. Petrin has been responsible for nearly \$2 million in grant funding for communications center and network improvements, and has personally trained every current dispatcher who works in the center. We wish him a very long and happy retirement.

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South State Street water leak repaired

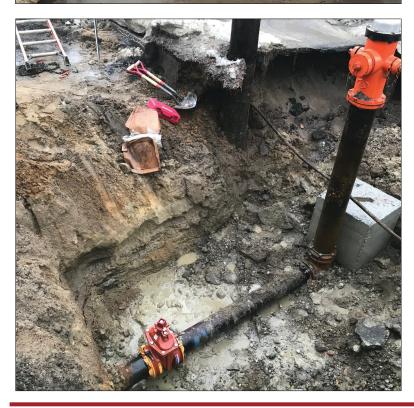
Concord General Services responded to a water leak yesterday on South State Street near Monroe Street. The source of the leak was discovered to be a faulty valve joint on a 6" service line connected from the water main to a nearby hydrant.

The valve was dated back to 1902 and has now been replaced. The 14" cast iron water main, also dated to 1902, was cement lined in 1996 to extend the life of the pipe, which was an infrastructure investment that appears to be functioning as intended since the water main was not

affected by the leak. Water service was restored to the 14 customers affected on Monroe Street around 8 a.m. and restored to the remaining 33 customers in the area around 3 p.m. yesterday after repairs were completed.

A temporary gravel trench was placed overnight last night until crews were able to return today to place temporary pavement for the winter. A final pavement patch will be completed in the spring or summer. We thank the community for their patience as crews worked as quickly and efficiently as possible to complete repairs.







Winter activities are in full swing at Beaver Meadow Golf Course





YOU'RE INVITED!
NEIGHBORHOOD
PARKING FORUM



Come meet with the City's Parking Committee to discuss final draft recommendations for parking issues in your neighborhood. Topics will include parking changes on narrow streets.

<u>WHO?</u>: UNH Law / White Park Neighborhood residents, property owners, merchants, employees, and students.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

WHEN?: January 28, 2019 @ 7:00PM

WHERE?: UNH School of Law Room #204 (the Rich Room)

MORE INFORMATION: Contact Matt Walsh, Director of
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WWW.CONCORDNH.GOV/PARKING

Our golf simulators have been running nonstop. Our Winter Sim League is in full swing with 63 teams competing for the top spot each week! With our weeknights being filled up with league players, it has been great to see the morning tee times filling up fast as well.

Our Head PGA Professional, Phil Davis, has been busy with our Free Lesson Fridays. You pay for the simulator fee, and he'll get your swing ready for spring! Call the pro shop to reserve your spot.

The Beaver Meadow Pond has been busy with skaters of all levels. The pond crew was out in full force keeping the surface clear and ready to skate.

The crew has been doing a fantastic job grooming the trails for daily use and we hope they will reopen again soon. The New England Bill Koch Youth Ski League is now in their third week meeting here. It's great to see the local youth skiers getting out and enjoying our facilities!

Lastly, we have been hosting an area Pub Dart League. On Saturday, January 19, we hosted our first dart tournament. The turnout was awesome! Our Chet Wheeler room was packed with dartboards and players from all around.

There's plenty to do at The Beav...come see for yourself! Please stay tuned for more updates on the conditions.

Ice season continues at Everett Arena



Public ice skating at the Everett Arena continues Monday through Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Sundays 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 (kids ages 3 and under are free) and skate rentals are available for \$5 at the Pro Shop. Adult stick practice (ages 14 and up) hours are currently Monday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. No Friday stick practice hours in January and no stick practice on February 1st or February 15th.

Admission is \$10 (free entry for goalies). Helmet and gloves are required (full equipment recommended). Sharpen your skates at the new Pro Shop for only \$6! Save \$10 if you buy a \$50 punch ticket that's good for 10 sharpening sessions. The Pro Shop is open daily 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the ice season. Lace up those skates! Visit www.concordnh.gov/skating for more information.



Searching for the next Flex Technician intern

Concord General Services launched a new full-time paid internship program this past summer that has now successfully achieved its goal to train an intern across divisions and transition them into an open permanent full-time position. Conner Bailey was hired in September as the first Maintenance / Operations Flex Technician intern. He learned a variety of skills as he completed on-the-job training for administration, solid waste, public property maintenance, water utilities, and road maintenance. After four quick months as an intern, Conner developed the skills needed to confidently apply and be offered the position of Laborer / Truck Driver within the Highway and Utilities Division. His internship experience and proven work ethic set him ahead of other applicants and ultimately landed him the job. He is working towards earning his CDL and will be laboring and operating trucks, backhoes, loaders, and other equipment to maintain the City of Concord's roadways. The goal of this entry-level internship position was to help someone start a career in public works by training them firsthand and provide them with the experience needed for subsequent full-time employment within the department. This internship has been a success for both Conner and General Services. Watch Conner's testimonial video to learn more about his internship experience.

Now, the search begins for the next Maintenance / Operations Flex Technician intern. This internship stands out from other internships because it is a paid full-time position of 40 hours a week (with overtime sometimes required) that includes a flexible benefits package, paid holidays, annual leave, enrollment in the NH Retirement System,

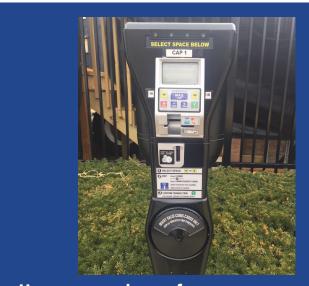
School Street elevator now open



We are happy to announce that the School Street Parking Garage elevator is now open to the public. We thank the community for their patience as we make improvements to this facility.



annual merit pay increases, and more. It's the perfect position for someone looking to start a career in public works and continue to climb the ladder. The position does require the employee to obtain a commercial driver's license (CDL) within 12 months of hire and will increase base salary by 5% more when a CDL is obtained and used on the job. Other certifications may be required depending on position requirements, but training will be accessible. Anyone interested in applying or learning more about the internship can visit http://bit.ly/2Mwv7kA to find a full job description and fill out an application.



Have you used one of our new smart meters or kiosks? Tell us about your experience by taking our brief <u>survey</u>.

